

with endurance (attack our) foes; the acquitter
of
our debts, thou approachest to disperse our
enemies.

2. In turn we glorify thee, SOMA, when effused;
thou attackest the (hostile) forces, O PAVAirisA,
to
(defend) *thy* great sovereignty over men.

3. PAVAMANA, by thy might thou hast generated
the sun in (the firmament), the support of the
water,
hastening on with abundant wisdom that
procures
cattle (for thy worshippers).

4. ¹ Immortal SOMA, thou hast generated
(the
sun) amongst mortals in (the firmament), the
support
of the truthful auspicious ambrosia;
streaming
forth *thou goest to battle continually.

5. ³Thou hast burst open (the filter) with (thy)
food as (one bursts open) an inexhaustible
fountain
giving drink to the nation, like one taking
up
(water) with the fingers of his two hands.

6. ⁴ Beholding him certain celestial VAETJRUCHAS
vargaxxin.

praise him as a kinsman before the shining
SAVITRI
drives away the obstructing (darkness).

7. ⁵The chief (of men)⁶ having cut the sacred
grass have fixed their minds, SOMA, on thee
for

¹ Sama Veda, II. 7. 1. 7. 3.

² Sayana explains *saniahyad&t* as *sambhajan* distribnting
(bless-
ings) ? from *san*, to acquire; the word, however, comes
from
syand.

³ Sama Veda, II. 7, 1. 7. 2.

⁴ *Ibid.* 'L 7. 1. 3. 2.

⁵ *Hid.* II. 7. 1. 7, 1.

⁸ Or the men of old.